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VOLUME EFFICIENT PISTON FOR
OSMOSTIC DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS

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Sir:

The Examiner indicates:

The ratio of the piston length to the total diameter is not shown or suggested in the prior art, in combination with the other disclosed elements. The piston of applicant's figure 2 is more accurately drawn to scale, while that of figure 1 is not.

The majority of the prior art shows a piston appearing similar to applicant's figure 1. The closest prior art pistons were found in the patent to Linkwitz et al.,

*Noted
S. Kennedy
June 22, 2005*